LIVE WASHINGTON TOPICS.

THE PRESIDENT AND MRS. CLEVE-LAND AT HOME TO THE PEOPLE.

A Very Democratic Gathering at the Last Public Reception of the Season-Seaster Hawley Comes Out as an Advecate of State Rights-Lively Discussion Over the Descinetes of the Hall Service-Cox and the Cowboy from Texas-Worcester Potitions that it Do Not have a Public Building Tolking Season Building-Teller Says the Indians Deserve Rathing but Compulsory Education-Med-est Senator Turple Walts at the Door-The President and his Wife Going South.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.-The reception given to the public this evening by the President and his wife more than crowded the White House. Fortunately the night was exceedingly mild, the pavements comparatively dry, and there was no serious discomfort felt by the waiting line outside. The arrangements for the comfort and pleasure of everybody were admirable, and all that could be possible in a house not built for the present day. Crushes! The interior of the White House was quite as brilliant and beautiful, and all the appointficial receptions. Indeed, President Cleveland has, from the beginning of his handshakings. Insisted on presenting the old mansion to the people precisely as it is when opened to official guests who attend in full dress; but the people may go in full dress or not as they che or find convenient. Strangers may, and often do, go to these evening receptions in street toilets. Some remove their wraps, others keep them on. Nobody is really conspicuous, though there is infinite variety and unlimited inde-

pendence shown by the crowds. The big East Room was the chief attraction. The beautiful corridor afforded opportunity for the promenade on to the open and brightly lighted conservatory.

The President and Mrs. Cleveland were assisted by four women of the Cabinet circle— Miss Bayard, Mrs. Fairchild, Mrs. Whitney. and Mrs. Dickinson. Their toilets were elegant. Mrs. Cleveland's gown was elegant. Mrs. Cleveland's gown was red plush, with trimmings of gold braid. Miss Bayard's gown was white satin and lace. Mrs. Fairchild core white brocade, Mrs. Dickinson's gown was gray velvet with steel trimmings. The rich gowns and fine jowels were effective. Col. Wilson introduced the visitors, and the Prosident's welcome from first to last was most cordial. The line at 10 o'clock extended down through the grounds to the street outside. Mrs. Cleveland looked unusually well, and of course quite charmed the strangers. The one drawback to their satisfaction was the necessary haste, preventing people from socing the President's wife with a fair and square look. It was a great mixture of evening toilets and

drawback to their satisfaction was the necessary hasts, preventing people from seeing the President's wife with a fair and square look. It was a great mixture of evening toilets and street costumes, women with bonnets and women without, but the crowd was exceedingly quiet, and no better mannered cempany perhaps ever filled the state parlors.

The Cabinet officers were in the Blue Room, and Representative and Mrs. Boutelle, Senator Ingalis's wife, Mrs. and Mrs. David Dudley Field. Mrs. Hicks-Lord attracted much attention by her great display of diamonds, rubles, and other magnificent jewels worn in much protuction on the waist of her black and white broaden on the waist of her black and white broaden on the waist of her black and white broade gown and as ornaments in her hair.

The handshaking wont rapidly on for the two hours from 9 to 11 o'clock, and then extra time was given to allow all to get in. It was 11% before the doors were closed.

Senator Jones's wife gave a very handsome 4 to 7 tea to-day. It was a very gay and large company. There was sweet music in the exclusively old-time airs by an orchestra in the broad hail, the old-fashioned music not often heard nowadnys at fashionable teas, Mrs. Jones received in a gown of white crops and pale blue plush; diamond ornaments and a large bouquet of white illaes and English violets completed this effective toilet. Among her assistants were Miss Gorham, Miss Van Burer, field, and Miss Condit Smith. They wore gowns of white and light time with lace. Senator Jones joined his wife at 5 o'clock. To-morrow at 3 o'clock a vote will be taken

in the Senate on the passage of the Blair Edu-cational bill. It will be quickly put out of the way, and regular business will then be resum-ed. Senator Hale will make a short speech in ed. Senator Hale will make a short speech in opposition to the measure. One other Senator, probably Mr. Hoar, will speak in favor of it, and then a vote will be taken. The bill will pass the Senate, but will receive nearly a dozen less votes than it got last year. Senator Hawley made a prepared speech in opposition to the bill to-day. He asserted that the bill is entirely unconstitutional. Mr. Hawley's stock as a Presidential candidate wont up a neg or two yesterday, as did that of other statesmen, on the retirement of Mr. Blaine from the field. The Connecticut Senator's States' rights arrument to-day will be remembered by his political opponents. Mr. Hawley takes the ground that the General Government can assume control of affairs of the several states only so far as the Constitution plainly gives them power. To educate the people of a State is, in Mr. Hawley's opinion, not a subject of Federal control, and be therefore opposes the bill. Mr. Mr. Hawley's opinion not a subject of Federal control, and he therefore opposes the bill. Mr. Hawley is a fluont and easy taker. He uses plais and vigorous language, and his gestures are entirely original and siways out of place. He received unusual attention from his colleagues to-day. A majority of them remained in their seats while he was seeaking, and several Democrats occupied chairs on the Republican side of the chamber. It is interesting and amusing to listen to Senator Hawley speak. He is more rapid in his utterances even than Senator Plumb, and several times to-day his brother Senators lyughed at the terrilic outpour of words. The Senate stenographer had trouble to keep up with him, and it was estimated that in several passages he spoke at the rate of three hundred words a minute.

In the Senate to-day the resolution for an inquiry into the causes of the inefficient mail service was taken up, and Mr. Plumb said that if Mr. Reagan's argument vesterday in defence of the Postmaster-General meant anything, it was that that officer pleaded the baby act-that

of the Postmaster-General meant anything, it was that that officer pleaded the baby act—that he was burdened with incompetent Republican clerks. There was no restraint on the Postmaster-General as to the diamissal of elerks. No Republican asked to have them retained. As to the fact that the service was bad—inexcusably bad, bad beyond any previous record—there was no question at all. He had the Clerk read several extracts from Kansna newspapers, one asserting that the Post Office officials "write themselves egreefous asses and complacently wave their ears over that solemn truth."

Mr. Platt said that the trouble was not confined to the West, and that searcely a day passed without his receiving letters from Connecticut making similar complaints. He read a letter from a publishing house in Norwalk, speaking of 'the apparent disorganization of the whole postal system of the country,' and abstribing it to the removal of experienced postal route agents.

At. Reagan said that if the complaints which were sent to Senators were sent to the Post Office Department they would be investigated and correctives applied. He challenged a comparison of the department under the present administration with the same department in any provious period, and he asserted his belief that the attack was owing to the success of the Administration and to the contrast which it offered in the way of success and economy to its Republican predecessors.

The new Texas representative, Martin, thown here popularly as the man who blew the gas out, made his maiden speech in the House de-day. Farmer Hatch of Missouri wanted to increase the number of the new batch of cattle Exports ordered by the Sonate. Col. Martin, who is one of the biggest ranchers in the Lone Star State, made a break to help Hatch, but he did not address the chair at all. He simply stood up in his seat, leaned way over forward, and talked spasmodically for three minutes. The House was in such a hubbub that all that could be heard in the guiertes was an occasional meution of cow. The great thing about the speech was Martin's gestitres. He stuck his hand frantically forward into the air with each finger clawing itself wide apart from the others all in spite of the Speaker's gavel. When he sat down he got a round of cheers from his colleagues. He retired to the settees exhausted. His lassitude fied, however, when Sunsat Cox approached to congratulate him, and the following conversation ensued:

"I say, Cox, your district is interested in o day. Farmer Hatch of Missouri wanted to

ensued:
"I say Cox. your district is interested in stock, sin't it?" stock, ain't it?

"Why, of course it is, Martin. We raise stock, we water stock, and we know all about salting stock."

"That's right. Then you are with us in wanting a lot of these cow books printed."

The Senate got a little shock to-day when Mr. Hoar presented four big petitions asking that as appropriations be made for a public building in Worcester. The Senate never heard before of a place that did not want a public building when it could get it. The trouble is that the Treasury Department has selected a site at the extreme end of the town and the people at the other say they are "derned" (massachusetts profanity) if they will walk so far for their mail.

A lively debate upon the general subject of the relations between the Government and the Indians sprang up in the Senate-this afternoon over Mr. Stewart's bill to establish an Indian school at Caraco City, Teller, Vest, Dawes, and others who have made a special study of the for seys their cotations. Mr. Teller, who, 1000 in

as Secretary of the Interior, had charge of the subject for several years, made some interesting statements. He admitted that the Government has not dealt wisely with its wards, but had been more generous to them than they deserved. No other nation in the world, he said, had ever before bought land of the aborigines on the ground that they were the rightful owners of the soil which they had never utilized. If the Government had dealt wisely with the Indians they would have long ago incorporated them into the body politic. Indians take no advantage of the schools unless compelled to, and never will.

Senator Turple of Indiana is the most mod est man in the Senate. He in singularly quie in manner, and, unlike some new Senators in manner, and, unlike some new bestators, does not attempt to push himself forward. An incident that occurred a day or two ago goes to show how very unassuming Mr. Turple is. He went over to the House of Representatives with a constituent to see Judge Holman on a matter of business. The two men struggled through the crowd in the corridor and sent their cards in from the lobby door adjoining the elevator. It was several minutes before the doorkeeper could go in on the floor, and in the mean time the Senator and his friend were jostled about by the crowd going up and down in the elevator and the startway near it. Finally the Senator's friend asked him if he was not entitled to the privileges of the floor. Mr. Turple said he did not know whether he was or not. The doorkeeper was appealed to, and he was just apologizing and saying:

"Certainly the Senator can go in." When Judge Holman appeared he expressed great surprise to find a Senator awaiting his pleasure, and said:

"Why, Senator, why didn't you come in?"

"Oh, it made no difference." said the modest Hoosier Senator. "I was in no hurry."

The doorkeepers and several spectators were greatly amused by the unusual incident. does not attempt to push himself forward. A:

The President expects to leave next Tuesday for a short visit to Florida. He will be accom-

for a short visit to Florida. He will be accom-panied by Mrs. Cleveland and the Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Whitney, and Colonel and Mrs. Lamont. The party will go by special train, and no stops will be made unless it te an hour at Savannah for a drive through the city. One day will be spent at Jacksonville, and one day at St. Augustine. The party will get back to Washington on Saturday.

The Secretary of the Treasury has transmitted to the House estimates for a deficiency appropriation of \$90,000 for the support of appropriation of \$90,000 for the support of United States prisoners during this fiscal year. Attorney General Garland says that the expense of supporting United States prisoners has steadily and largely increased since 1885, owing to the passage of the bill forbidding the emisorment of the prisoners on contract labor. While a short time ago many institutions received and supported Government prisoners without cost to the United States, there is now but one institution which can be designated for the confinement of prisoners where a per diem is not charged. In answer to a House resolution the Attor-

ney-General to-day submitted a list of eightyfive assistants and twenty-four special assistants to United States Attorneys, who have been, or are being, paid from the appropriation of \$100,000 made by the last Sundry Civil Appropriation act. The Attorney-General says that the fact that the bill appropriated but \$100,000 to pay salaries for services amounting to \$150,750 necessitated a decrease in the componention on July I last of twenty per cent. The salaries in the southern district of New York were restored in some cases through the resignation of one of the assistants and the distribution of his duties and his salary among the others. In answer to the invitation to suggest intelligent legislation upon the subject the Attorney-General suggests that Congress might allow the full amount of the estimates, \$150,000, submitted by him, as they are not. In his judgment, excessive. been, or are being, paid from the appropriation his judgment, excessive.

The Senate has confirmed the nominations of B. F. Wade to be Marshal of northern Ohio and Alexander McCue to be Assistant Treasurer at New York.

Mr. Collins was to-day instructed by the House Judiciary Committee to report favorably and without amendment the joint resolu-tion which passed the Senate proposing a construtional amendment to substitute the 30th of April for the 4th of March hereafter as the commencement and termination of the offi-cial terms of President, Vice-President, and

Senator Hiscock introduced a bill to-day providing that all volunteer officers of the late war who are placed on the rension rolls shall be entitled to a pension at a rate per month equal to two-thirds of the full pay of the highest grade or rapk such officers held by commission in the army during the late war. It is provided, however, that no pensioned volunteer officer under the age of 64 shall be a beneficiary under the age. In answer to a House resolution, Acting-At-

torney-General Jenks to-day transmitted to the House a list of names of the assistants to the House a list of names of the assistants to the United States Attorney for Massachusetts employed in the suit of the United States against the American Bell Telephone Com-pany. The list is as follows: Growenor P. Lowrey—Compensation 575 per day while actually in New York, and 5103 while actually em-ployed elsewhere. He has received no compensation are above 1887.

while actually in New York, and the ployed elsewhere. He has received no compensation since July 1, 1887.

Altern 0. Thurman—Such compensation as the Acting Attorney-General in this case may determine. He has received no compensation since July 1, 1887.

Moners, Hunter and Chandler—85,000 for the entire case. They have received no compensation since July 1 case. They have received the case. Since last. W. C. Strawbridge—\$1,100) for the entire case. Since July 1 he has been paid \$80.91.

Charles S. Whitman—\$5,000 for the entire case. No compensation since July 1.

John Goods—\$5,000 per annum, resigned Jan. 24, 1883.

Since July 1 last no has been paid \$2,744.57.

Upon the representations of officials of the telegraph companies that their business ha been very much interfered with and the public been very much interiered with and the public incommoded by the transfer of their offices from the main corridor of the House wing of the Capitol to the gallery, the Speaker has modi-iled his order so as to allow the Western Union and Postal Telegraph Companies to resume commercial business in the lower corridors. A force of workmen was engaged this morning in reconstructing the offices removed last week.

The House Committee on Commerce to-day decided to report favorably the bill to charter the Nicaragua Canal Company. The committee inserted amendments requiring a majority of the directors and the President of the company to be American citizens, and the latter a resident of the United States.

A plan to completely reorganize the presen system of government of the District of Colum bia was to-night reported by a special commit bia was to-night reported by a special committee appointed for the purpose to the Citizena'
Committee of One Hundred, a representative body organized to promote the welfare of the District. The plan provides
for the appointment of one Commissioner and filteen Councilmen by the Prestilent, the Councilmen to be taken from the
different wards into which the city is divided,
The Commissioner is to have supreme direction of the city's affairs and the Councilmen
are to sustain very much the same relation to
him that Aldermen bear to the Mayor in other
cities.

Senator Riddleberger, whose attack of tonsilltis has not improved during the past few days, did not appear in the Senate until 4 o'clock to-day. At noon a beautiful floral design was placed on his desk, sent by the Clanna-Gael Society of New York in compliment for his recent services in opposition to the British extradition treaty. The offering of the Philadeiphia Clanna-Gael yesterday was an Irish harp. That of the New York brethren was in the form of a United States flag, the stars and bars being of red, white, and bine, and the staff of emerald green flowers. The beautiful design completely covered the Virginia Senator's desk, and was much admired by the Senators. When Mr. Riddieberger arrived he had it sent to his wife. days, did not appear in the Senate until 4

The House Committee on Ways and Means reported to-day favorably Mr. Mills's bill to provide for the purchase of United States bonds provide for the purchase of United States bonds by the Secretary of the Treasury. The committee says that the act of March 3. 1881, authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to apply the surplust of the purchase of United States bonds, being contained in an annual appropriation bill, doubts have been entertained as to the authority of the Secretary now to purchase bonds under its provisions. The committee, therefore, has deemed it proper to remove the question out of the domain of doubt.

The Senate Committee on Appropriations yesterday reported without any previous notice, a bill appropriating \$15,000, to be distributed among the poor people of the District, and it was passed. This morning Senator Jo Blackburn offered a resolution providing that hereafter no bill shall be reported until it has first been under consideration for at least ten days.

The House Judiciary Committee agreed to day to advance one step juriher than it has re-cently gone a measure that has been befor the House over 20 years, the direct tax bill.

Mr. Cox to-day introduced a bill for the payment of \$2.292,657, being the amount paid by New York city for the principal and interest on Londs issued to the Union Defence Committee of New York in 1861 and 1863.

Seymour Elected to Congress MARQUETTE, Mich., Feb. 14 .- Returns from he election come in slowly. Marquette gives Seymour (Rep.) 654 majority, a Democratio gain of 180; Houghton county, 800 majority for Breen (Dem.); Baraga county, 215 majority for Breen; Schoolcraft county about 180 majority for Saymour, Saymour's majority will be about 1,000 in the district. THE LONG BRANCH PIGEON TOURNES. Champion Wing Shots Doing their Bost Miss Onkly's Bad Luck.

The national pigeon shooting tournament on the grounds of the West End Club, Long Branch, opened yesterday.

The entries embrace some of the finest shots

in America. J. R. Stice is hard to beat in a

sweepstakes, and his shooting

demonstrated plainly that it would take a good man to get ahead of him in a regular match He shot to kill. His first barrel was generally effective. He is six feet tall, and his shooting costume consisted of a broad-brim felt hat and dark corduroy coat, trousers in his boots, and red handkerchief around his neck. He made a run of twenty straight birds. C. W. Budd was the favorite at the outset, but having missed his second and seventeenth bird, he was two his second and seventeenth bird, he was two behind at the close of the day. The champion wing shot of England. W. C. Graham, seemed almost invincible. He came out with a clear score. George Cubberly, William Beiger. C. S. Wertsner, and J. Van Dyke also succeeded in killing twenty straight birds.

In shooting, the contestants had to face the sun, but it was the only disadvantage under which they labored. By unanimous consent Mr. Al. Hermitago ("Old Southpaw") of the Jersey City Heights Gun Club was referee. It was then decided that the contestants should shoot in turn, one bird at a time. Cubberly went first to the score, and brought down a right quarterer from No. 4 trap. Miss Annie Onkly followed. She was dressed in a picturesque shooting coetume of blue plaid, with ablue slik handkerchief around ber shoulders. Two long braids of hair hung down her back, while a sombrero sat jauntily on her head. As the preity Amazon answered to her name and stepped on the score mark she was the centre of attraction. Planting her dainty feet firmly on the mark, she called out in a pleasing, girlish voice: "Rendy! Pull!" Simultaneously with the last word the trap opened and a driver from No. 4 sped across the grounds, wounded by both loads of shot from Miss Onkly's gun, and fell dead just outside the boundary. Her second bird was also a driver from unively No. 4 trap. It also fell dead outside the line.

"Oh, did you ever see such luck?" she exbehind at the close of the day. The champion "Oh, did you ever see such luck?" she ex-

side the line.

"Oh, did you ever see such luck?" she exclaimed.

Her third bird was a left quarterer from trap No. 3, and one barrel sufficed to end its career.

"Time I hit something," she said, as she handed the gun to her manager. The spectators applauded heartly her change of luck. She missed the next bird, but from that on made a clear score. Had she used as heavy a gun and charge as her contestants, she would not have lost any.

L. B. Campbell, the well known trap-and, handle shot, was the only left-handed marks man among the lot.

Fred Erb. Jr., although he wore his red jacket for a mascot, came out three behind. William Lever, one of the contestants, is the proud possessor of a No. 14 gun, yet he managed to make a good score just the same. Young Phil Daly tried his skill, and considering it is his first match, he did well.

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George Cubberly—1111x, 11x11, 1x111, 111x1. Killed, 20. Times second barrel used. R. Distance, 27 yards. Weight of gun 10 bounds.

Annie Unkly—2710x, 10x1x, xxx11, 11xx1. Killed, 16; missed, 4. Second barrel, 8. Distance, 25 yards. Gun, 6 William Lever—1111, 11111, 11101, 01111. Killed, 18; m sed, 2. Times second barrel used, 0. Distance, 28 yards. Weight of xun, 8 pounds 12 ounces.

W. D. Campbell—10111, x1111, 1010x, 1xx10. Killed, 16; missed, 4. Second barrel, 7. Distance, 27 yards. Gun, 8 pounds 8 ounces.

E. D. Miller—x11x1, 1110, 1101x, 110x1, Killed, 17; missed, 3. Second barrel, 4. Distance, 28 yards. Gun, 9 pounds 8 ounces.

James Thompson—01x10, 0xxxx, 10x11, 1x01x. Killed, 15; missed, 5. Second barrel, 8. Distance, 28 yards. Gun, 7 pounds 8 ounces.

William C. Fries—11xx1, x111x, 1xxx0, xxxx0, Killed, 16; missed, 5. Second barrel, 11. Distance, 26 yards. Gun, 7 pounds 8 ounces.

H. C. White—xxx1x, 11000, 10111, 1x111, Killed, 15; missed, 5. Second barrel, 4. Distance, 28 yards. Gun, 9 pounds 9 ounces. missed, h. second barren.
9 pounds 6 ounces.
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Second barrel, 6. Distance, 28 yards. Gun, 6 pounds ounces. C. S. Wertsner-11111, x1x11, x111x, 111x1. Killed. 20. cond barrel 5. Distance, 28 yards. Gun. 9 pounds Second barrel. 5. Distance, 28 yards. Gun, w pounds 12 onnecs.
Frank Kleintt-Olixi, Ixixi, Ixixxi, Iliio Killed, St. missed, 2. Second barrel, 7. Distance, 29 yards. Gun, 8 pounds 14 onnecs.
L. B. Campboll-xxiix, 100ix, 11x0x, 0ix11. Killed, 16; missed, 4. Second barrel, 8. Distance, 29 yards. Gun, 9 pounds, 10 ounces.
J. R. Maione-Itoli, xvixi, 10x11, 0111x. Killed, 16; missed, 4. Second barrel used, 4. Distance, 29 yards. Gun, 9 pounds 10 ounces.
Jred Krb, Jr.-xixxx, xiiix, 0ixxi, 0xix0. Killed, 17; missed, 3. Second barrel used, 4. Distance, 31 yards. Unit, 8 pounds. missed, 3. Second barrel used, 10. Distance, 31 yards.
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11. Haizer—ixil, 11xix, 11111, 110xx. Killed, 19;
missed, 1. Second barrel, 6. Distance, 28 yards. Gun,
5 pound 4 ounces.
W. C. Graham—ixilx. xxixi, 1111, 111x1. Killed, 20.
Second barrel, 6. Distance, 31 yards. Gun, 7 pounds
14 ounces. W. C. Granam-Interest of the control nissed. 5. Second barret. 0. points dounce. 15. points dounce. 17. points dounce. 17. points of the 8 pounds 4 ounces.
2. W. Budd—xill x. Ilixi. 11xi. x0xii. Killed. 18; missed. 2. Second barrel, 7. Distance, 31 yards. Gun, 10 pounds. The shoot will be continued to-day and finished with the exception of any ties, and they will be carried on to the day following.

TROTTING AT FLEETWOOD PARK. Lively Ruce to Sleighs Over the Melting

Snow-Crusader the Winner. A trotting race to sleighs took place at Fleetwood Park yesterday afternoon. The snow was thawing very fast, and it was hard work for the horses to pull even light cutters over the avenues leading to the course. It over the avenues leading to the course. In consequence there was a light attendance. The trot was for a sweepstakes nurse of \$200. Jesse Yeroance's chestnut mare Perplexed, H. G. Smith's bay golding Crusader, A. Wilkin-son's brown mare Breeze, and K. E. Heming-way's gray golding Gray Eagle started on even terms, with Breeze in front. At the half-mile pole Crusader began to draw up, and finally won the heat by two lengths in 2:44, with Per-plexed second. won the heat by two lengths in 2:22, what the plexed second, the second heat fell to Perplexed in 2:47%. Crusader having made a bad break at the start. Breeze finished second.

In the third and final heat the horses came down the homestretch abreast. All were on the run except Crusader, who came in a half length in front in 2:43, Perplexed getting second money, and Breeze and Gray Eagle divided third money.

Miss McKim, the Champion Bowler. The Knickerbocker Bowling Club gave its annual reception at the Tennis building, 212 West Forty-first street, yesterday afternoon, at 4 o'clock. Three hundred and fifty guests crowded the rooms. The lunch was followed by music and dancing, and the usual accompaniments of an afternoon reception. The feature of the occasion was the bowling match in which prizes were provided for the gentleman and lady winners, and an extra prize for the champion of all. Miss McKim carried off the honors among the ladles, making a score of 199; while Mr. E. H. Crosley with a score of 180, was the best among the gentlemen.

Among the guests were the Hon. John Jay, Gen. Asnola. Mrs. Bradley Martin, Mrs. F. De Peyster, J. Hooker Hammersley, Mr. and Mrs. Beekman, Mr. and Mrs. Coster, Mr. and Mrs. Felham Clinton, Mr. Edward Clarkson, Mr. and Mrs. Livingston, and Mr. and Mrs. Schieffelin. Dr. D. M. Camman is the President of the club, and Mr. Banyer Clarkson, secretary. The committee which had charge of the reception were Dr. Camman, Mr. Clarkson, Mr. A. S. Carlart, Mr. J. H. Hammersley, Mr. J. L. Montgomery, Mr. R. K. Richards, and Mr. M. A. Wilks. by music and dancing, and the usual accom-

The Audover Controversy. Boston, Feb. 14.—The great Andover controversy assumed a new phase to-day when the joard of Trustees of the Academy applied to the Supreme Court to secure the abolishment of the Board of Visitors' which decided that the of the Board of Visitors which decided that the five principal professors are heretica. A bill for this purpose was filed in the Supreme Court, Essex county, by the Trustees, against the Visitors. The bill asserts that the Visitors overstepped their authority in trying the professors on the charge of heresy, and that their proceedings were otherwise irregular. The trustees further ask the court to instruct them as to what authority the Visitors have over the professors and whether the proceedings of the Visitors are void.

Michard Mearney's Brutal Amault on Mrs. LONG BRANCH, Feb. 14 .- Dr. S. H. Hunt said this evening that the recovery of Mrs. Margaret Purcell, the housekeeper of Mrs. Lyddy, who had been assaulted in the cottage of the latter by the colored coachman, Richard kearney, was very doubtful. Mrs. Purcell's throat is torn and bruised, one leg is broken in two places, and her breast is badly discolored. In addition she suffers now from nervous prostration. Kearney twice knecked the old lady down the celiar stairs. He is in Freehold jail.

Gov. Hill at Home in his New House. ALBANY, Feb. 14. .- The first general reception in the new Executive Mansion took plac to-night, when Gov. Hill, surrounded by his staff, welcomed those he had invited to meet the heads of departments and members of the Legislature. Guests were received by the Governor in the north room. The attendance was very large.

DANCING BEFORE LENT

MERRYMAKERS ENJOYING THE LAST BOURS OF THE SEASON.

Ball of the Brotherhood of Lecomotive Engineers—United Laborers Enjoying a Night Og. Other Secial Entertalments.

The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineer of the New York city Division No. 105 gave their thirteenth annual reception and ball last evening in Tammany Hall. The division em-braces engineers of the New York Central, the New York and Harlem, and the Manhattan Elevated Railroads. The ballroom was attractive. Festoons of green hung from the gallery; festoons of gay-colored ribbons sprung from the centre of the lofty ceiling and swept downward to the balconies, while the Stars and Stripes in standards and draped in pleasing forms adorned the walls and the gallery front. The New York Divisionhas 300 members. Over 500 dancers were on the floor at midnight. Each lady present was presented with a souve-

500 dancers were on the floor at midnight. Each lady present was presented with a souvenir.

Among those present were President Levi Gibb and Mrs. Gibb. Vice-President J. P. Davis and Miss Davis, Secretary D. F. Nicholson and Mrs. Nicholson. Treasurer E. I. Baker and Mrs. Nicholson. Treasurer E. I. Baker and Mrs. Cafferty. Directors E V. Nicholson with Miss McCurr of Washington. D. C., and Miss. Grace Johnson. John Trimmer and Mrs. Trimmer. W. E. Kelchner, F. F. B. Ransom. J. II. Delaney, J. B. Gampon. W. Durnell and wife. J. Cavanagh and wife. Harry Campbell and wife. R. W. Shannon and wife. D. Olds and wife. I. D. Woolley and wife. A. McFarlane, and J. McClinchy and wife. Chalrman J. D. Outwater of the Heception Committee and Mrs. Outwater, Chief Engineer E. S. Stryker of Division 51, Philadelphia; William Huston of Division 35, Union Hill, N. J.; Chief E. O. Dimmick of Division 269, Long Island City; John Baker Post, Chief of the New York Division, now of 269; Superintendent J. D. Campbell of the Manhattan Elevated Railroad. Alonzo Nelson. Chief Time Cierk of the Manhattan shopa; W. E. Casey, train despatcher. and Poter J. Donohue, Paymaster on the New York, Lake Erie and Western Railroad; E. J. Ranch, road foreman of engines of the Eastern Division of the Manhattan Elevated Railroad; William McNaily, general foreman of the west side shops on the Manhattan Elevated Railroad; W. Thompson and Wife, and Dr. John F. Higgins and Wife.

Greentree, W. W. Thompson and wife, and Dr. John F. Higgins and wife.

The Essex County Country Club gave its first ball last evening in the handsome club house in Hutton Park. Orange. The house and grounds were brightly illuminated and tasterally decorated with flowers and plants, and open fires burned in all of the rooms. Lander furnished music and Davis of Orange took charge of the cuisine for the evening. The reception was under the control of President Henry A. Page, Vice-President A. P. Whitehead, and the Executive Committee. Among those present were General and Mrs. F. Watts Kearny, Goy, Green, Colonel and Mrs. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Rowland E. Keasby, Mr. and Mrs. Eliot Rosevelt, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Freling-huysen, Mr. and Mrs. Eliot Rosevelt, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Frelingshuysen, Mr. and Mrs. Ballantine, W. D. Baldwin, S. B. Barkile, Fray's Arnold, John H. Ballantine, Robert F. Ballantine, W. D. Baldwin, S. B. Battin, Seeley Benedict, Moses Bigelow, E. A. Bradley, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. H. Brintnall, Ogden Brower, E. G. Burgess, John Burke, B. H. Campbell, M. T. Campbell, J. S. H. Clark, William Clark, Mr. and Mrs. W. Campbell Clark, R. J. Cross, D. P. Cruickshank, A. G. Darwin, Samuel S. Dennis, John F. Dryden, George B. Duryee, Mr. and Mrs. T. H., Powers Farr, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick S. Fish, James E. Fleming, Frederick Frelinghuysen, Reginaid Fry, Mr. and Mrs. Groge F. Hecker, C. A. Heckscher, G. I. Herbert, H. L. Herbort, H. F. Hitch, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel C. Howell, H. F. Kean, John Kean, Jr., Julian H. Kean, Edward Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. Sengere F. Hecker, C. A. Heckscher, G. L. Herbert, H. E. Herbort, H. F. Hitch, Mr. and Mrs. Bengen Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. Sengere, R. and Mrs. S. G. L'Hommedien, H. A. Mandeville, F. E. Martin, Dr. William Maeson, C. A. Munn, Franklin Murphy, Edward A. Page, Henry A THE ESSEX COUNTY COUNTRY CLUB.

A hundred members of the Ed F. Hughes Association, who are ambitious to become leading County Democrats in the Eleventh ward, held their first annual ball last evening in Irving Hall. Mr. Hughes, who gave his name to the association, led in the grand march with his sister. Miss Hughes. Among others present were President Feter F. Maloney and Mrs. Maloney. Vice-President Charles J. Love and Miss Murphy, Financial Secretary William H. Hinds and Mrs. Hinds, Secretary Thomas F. Scully, Corresponding Secretary C. A. Ferden and Miss Maggie Kirchoff, Treasurer Thomas A. McLaan, Sergenat-at-Arms A. Ferdon and Miss Maggie Kirchoff, Treasurer Thomas A. Molean, Sergeant-at-Arms Thomas J. Sullivan, Floor Manager Henry J. Dowe and Mrs. Dowe, Assistant Floor Manager William Schock, Henry H. Sanders and Mrs. Sanders. Bernard F. Jordan, Miss Patton, Joseph F. Brown, Ada Corrigan, George Brodbeck, Miss Maggie Smith, John F. Satchwell, Miss Katle Smith, Henry Sayers, Miss Annie Smith, James Drake, Annie Smith, James Drake, Annie Smith, James Drake, Frederick Sayers, Andrew Fitzpatrick, Miss Parbei, Thomas Scully, Miss Dayton, Henry Dowe and Mrs. Dowe, Thomas McLean and Miss Minnie Sayers, Miss Munroe, Mrs. Mulloy, Miss Maggie Short, Miss Ida Kirchoff, and Matthew Smith and Mrs. de Barr.

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The New York Athletic Club employees gave their annual ball at Lyric Hall last night. At 11 P. M. the grand march was led by Floor Manager Philip F. Smith and his wife, who wore a costume of marcon velvet, trimmed with Chantilly lace. Among the members of the organization and their guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Green. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Mallet Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Green. Mr. and Mrs. Gus Weindick, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Sundstrom. Mr. and Mrs. W.O. Muschenheim. Mr. and Mrs. Gus Weindick, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Sundstrom. Mr. and Mrs. W.D. Gay, J.J. Miller, Miss Tillie Duncan. Mrs. Barah Green. Miss Maria Regan, Miss Kate Allen. J. Oatman. Miss Agnes Smith Louis Trangott, Miss Julia Sheppard, Mr. and Mrs. William Boylan. E. Donovan, Miss Jennie Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Croft. Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Devaucene, Miss Carrie Moore, Henry Enwright, Miss May Downing, Miss Kate Downing, Miss Emma Enwright, Miss Maud Boylston.

Several members of the Club dropped in during the evening to assist their employees in having a good time. Some of them were it. L. Johnston, Geo. Briggs, Dr. H. Griswoldfotto Ruhl, J. H. Booth, W. G. Schuyler, F. C. Griffiths, Geo. Goldle, and Charles Carter.

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UNITED LABOR'S RELAXATION.

The Fourth Assembly district organization of the United Labor party held its first annual union and ball last evening in Webster Hall. The reuniting was not so overpowering as to cause a ram at the doorway as iste as midnight. The promoters of the ball had various reasons to offer for the scanty attendance. Some said that to-day being Ash Wednesday religious scruples prevented many St. Stephen's parishioners from attending the festivities, while others contessed that the George and McGlynn oncounter on Monday night kept the McGlynn sympathizers away. If Henry George was at the ball he appeared at a very late hour, Among those present were George McMackin, James P. Rahal, Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements; John J. Bergin and Mrs. Bergin, Martin W. Biggane, Philip J. Scannell and wife, Morris Van Veen, E. J. Doutney, Hugh Quinian, William J. Tobin, R. T. Stephens, W. J. O'Brien, Martin Cahili, Roor manager; William Rothstein, Charles Hilberg, William Walsh, Henry Dempsey, John H. May, Dr. P. J. McLoughlin, Michael Halpin, Chas. Schnoider, John Jones, Hugh O'Donohue, and wife, Nelson Rothstein, Charles Hilberg, William Walsh, Henry Dempsey, John H. May, Dr. P. J. McLoughlin, Michael Halpin, Chas. Schnoider, John Jones, Hugh O'Donohue, and wife, Nelson Rothstein, Charles, Hugh Complex, John Shaughnessy, John J. Benttle, Fatrick Gilmore, Thomas Lee, John J. Benttle, Fatrick Gilmore, Thomas Lee, John J. Dongnerty, Martin J. Bisgane, Jeremint Ooughlan, John H. Boy, J. Rosen, and Thomas O'Shaughnessy.

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The society season was closed in Plainfield last night with a brilliant masque ball at the residence of F. O. Herring. Mrs. Herring and Mrs. Howard Fleming were the hostosess. Five hundred invitations were issued which included all of Plainfield's best society. The cleagant residence was turned over suffre to the dancers. The portice was enclosed and a large orchestra from New York took possession of it. The surper was supplied by a New York cuterer. The variety of costumes were unusually interesting and diverting. Among those present were Mr. W. S. Cock, Mrs. A. C. Baldwin, B. Huntsman, Miss Virginia Bandelph, H. Stover, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Jumont. Miss Knowland. Dr. and Mrs. Murray, Mrs. H. P. Taimadge, Herman White, Dexter Tiffany, Miss Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. doddard. Mr. and Mrs. W. Smith, Mr. Clark and Miss Clark, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Smith, Mr. Clark and Miss Clark, Mr. and Mrs. C. Craig A. Marsh. O. S. Waring, Miss Waring, and 550 others.

The Rev. D. Brainerd Ray, rector of Grace Church, Hariem, was married in the church last evening to Mrs. Mary Frost, daughter of Mrs. Thomas Stinson. The Rev. Dr. Chiperformed the errors. MISS VAN AUKEN MARRIED.

Archbishop Corrigon Selemnizes the Wed-Miss Cornelia Van Auken, daughter of Mrs. B. H. Van Auken, was married resterday after-Chapin. The ceremony took place at the residence of the bride's mother, 421 Fifth avenue. The Van Aukens have been Presbyterians for generations, and the family are now attendants of the Brick Church. Mr. Chapin, the groom, however, is a strict Roman Catholic, and the wedding ceremony was performed by Arch-bishop Corrigan, assisted by Mgr. Preston of

The house was profusely decorated with rare

plants and flowers. The front drawing room walls were draped with festoons of pink roses

on ropes of smilax. Between the windows front-

ing on Fifth avenue was arranged a tasteful

St. Ann's Church.

canopy composed of smilax, white roses, and canopy composed of smilax, white roses, and lilies of the valley, beneath which the nuptial knot was tied by the Aschbishop and Father Preston. The music room was ornamented with white and yellow flowers, and potted plants concealed the orchestra from view. In the dining room were displayed magnificent bunches of red, yellow, and white tulips, their brilliant coloring artistically relieved by a bnekground of smilax and ferns.

The bridal party passed down the rear stairway, which opens on the dining room, and thus they had the sweep of the three large rooms for their procession to the altar. An aisle was formed of white satin ribbons held by twenty-four young ladies, personal friends of the bride. The bride was given away by Mr. D. E. Garrison of St. Louis, her great-uncle. Mr. Abram Garrison, who was to have performed this service, being detained by the serious illness of his wife. The bride was dressed in a gown of rich white satin draped with flounces of roint lace. Her veil, also of point lace, was held in place by a crescent of diamonds, the gift of the groom. Her other ornaments were a necklace of large diamonds, the gift of the groom. Her other ornaments were a necklace of large diamonds, the gift of her mother, and a diamond heartsease with emerald centre from Mrs. Chapin, mother of the groom. She carried a hand bouquet of orange blossoms and hiles of the valley.

Her bridesmaids, Miss Ruth Lawrence, Miss Charlotte Penrsall, Miss Edith Hoadley, and Miss Katherine Colt, were dresses of pink and white silk trimmed with mull and held up by pink ostrict tips. Each of them received from the bride a sweet pea pin with jewelled centre.

The groom was attended by Mr. John G. Agar as best mn, and the ushers were Amory S. Carhart, Brockholst Cutting, Frank Henry, and Lieut. Cameron Winslow, U. S. N. Their souvenirs from the groom were gold eigarette cases.

The ceremony was witnessed only by the relatives and most intimate friends of the family, among the latter being R. M. Galinway, Mayor A. C. Chapin. The gift lilies of the valley, beneath which the nuptial knot was tied by the Aschbishop and Father

dishes in silver repouses from Judge Andrews, and a silver writing set from Archbishop Corrigan.

Among the guests at the reception were Mr. and Mrs. James Andarlese, Mr. Fred. Baldwin, Mrs. Brockholst Cutting, Mr. Arthur Leary, Mrs. J. T. Gilvert and the Misses Gibert, Miss Leary, Miss Berry, Mr. and Mrs. J. Macaulay Herkhead of Baltimore, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Chapin, Mayor and Mrs. A. C. Chapin, Dr. and Mrs. J. N. Borland, Mrs. Paul J. Revore, and Mrs. J. N. Borland, Mrs. Paul J. Revore, and Mrs. J. K. Storman, Mrs. J. F. de Navarro, Antonio da Navarro, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. de Navarro, Antonio da Navarro, Mr. and Mrs. Chester W. Chapin, Mrs. John Sherwood, Mrs. E. S. Higgins, Mr Audinot Gibert, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Thebaud, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Townsend, Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Harris, Mrs. Jules Reynal, Mrs. C. K. Garrison, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Pierson, Mrs. Paran Stevens, Mrs. W. H. Vanderbilt, Judge and Mrs. Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. Pelham Clooper Hewitt, Mrs. Burke Roche, Miss Thoron, Mrs. and Miss. Zerega, Mr. and Mrs. Pelham Clinton, Col. and Mrs. Hugo Fritsch, and Dr. and Mrs. Austin Filit, Jr.

A BAGE FOR ENCYCLOPEDIAS.

Members of Digey's "Adents" Company Invest Heavily, but Don't Pay up Promptly. The leading members of the "Adonis" Company seem to have fallen victims to a mania for encyclopedias. Manager Edward Rice of the company and others subscribed for no less than three sets, none of which have been nuld for Mr Rica subscribed for a set of An pleten's Encyclopedias to cost \$175, and the pletch's Encyclopedias to cost \$175, and the numbers were duly received by him in 1885, but the Appletons did not get acent in return. After waiting for some time they put the matter in the hands of their lawyer, who got judgment for the amount against Mr. Rice and had the Sheriff lock him up. No property was found on which an execution could be levied, and an order was obtained from Chief Justice McAdam of the City Court combelling Mr. Rice to appear for supplementary proceedings. Mr. Rice failed to obey the summons, and he was fined \$245 for contempt of court. Yesterday afternoon a motion to reopen the case and to release Rice of the contempt was argued in the City Court. Decision was reserved.

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At the 400th performance of "Adonis" it was planned to present Dixey with a set of Appleton's Encyclopedia, but the \$175 for it was not paid until the Sheriff began search for Mr. Dixey, and then Mr. Rice appeared and paid over the amount of Dixey's bill.

Meantime, Ida Bell Eustis, a member of the company, made up her mind to be in the swim, and sho, too, ordered a set of the encyclopedia of the same firm. Miss Bell, like the others, neglected to pay up, and received a letter from the lawyers of the Appletons notifying her that he was about to bring suit. Herbert Gresham, the villain of the "Adonis" company, wrote back that he stood ready to take the books at the original figure and be personally responsible for the bill. The letter was written last May, but the bill is still unpaid.

FLAT RAILS WILL COME. Naturally the Street Rullroad Companie Don't Want to Pay for Them.

A conference of citizens representing various interests and of representatives of several city railroad companies was held yesterday at the Mayor's office, Mayor Hewitt presiding. The object was to talk over Mayor Hewiti presiding. The object was to talk over the Mayor's plan of abolishing the centre-bearing rail on street car routes and replaced to with a ruli that will oped a desire to bave the change made, almost devict oped a desire to have the change made, almost expensatives of the rail round companies appreciated the opinion that it would be unjust to compet them to put down the proposed new rails without commensation from the city. The Mayor reiterated in forcible language his conviction that the railroad companies have not kept faint with the city in earing for the streets through which they pass. He minimated pretty plainty that the companies had obtained valuable franchises without adequate return, and that the railroad companies had obtained valuable franchises without adequate return, and that the gubile has some rights in the matter that must be respected.

Railway Business.

The Manhattan Railway Company for the quarter ended Dec. 31, 1887, reports: Gress earnings from operation, \$2,287,089; operating Gross carrilings from operation, \$2,237,038; operating expenses (excluding all taxes), \$1,176,056; net earnings, \$1,050,053; income from other sources than operation, \$2,050,053; income from other sources than operation, \$2,1671; gross income from all sources \$1,081,756. The Herns to be deducted from the income are: Interest on funded debt, \$594,144; taxes, \$144,194; results, \$5,051, het income from all sources \$144,194; results, \$5,051, het income from all sources \$144,194; results, \$5,051, het forms, \$165,195; income from all spatial \$150,051; results, \$2,051, profit and loss carping, \$165,759; Gross carrings, \$503,394; operating expenses, \$400,394; net carrings, \$503,394; operating expenses, \$400,394; net carrings, \$503,394; operating expenses, \$7,053; gross income, \$410,752; interest, \$140,752; taxes, \$2,050; remails, \$61,552; interest, \$140,752; taxes, \$2,050; remails, \$61,552; interest, \$1,405; cash on hand, \$2,350; profit and loss (surplus; \$571,544.

The Forty-second street and grand street Ferry Railway for the quarter ended bec. 31, 1887, reports Gross earnings, \$2,052; taxis income from other sources, \$2,050; taxes, \$2,050; include from all sources, \$2,050; taxes, \$2,050; include from all sources, \$100,815; net carrings, \$2,050; toxes arrings, \$2,050; income from all sources, \$100,815; net carrings, \$2,050; income from all sources, \$2,050; rentals, \$2,050; income

Explosions in a Mine.

WILEEBBARRE, Feb. 14.—A double explosion took place in Wyoming Colliery, of the Lehizh Coal Company, at Port Bowkley, this afternoon. A miner at work in one of the chambers left a lighted lamp, and work in one of the chambers left a lighted lamp, and upon returning to get it an explosion occurred in the breast, the famues from which communicated to a gaing way and a heavier explosion followed, which injured a number of inhiers and tired the mine. The flames were quickly subdued and it was from that five miners and been fadly burned. Their names are: Lewellyn Prica, aged 25 lears Thomas Moore, ared 22 years Frank Jones, aged 25 years, Jacob Monahan, aged 35 years, and Join Boyle, aged 40 years. The two latter are fatally injured.

Mrs. Laura C. Holloway, the distinguished authoress and traveller, lectured before a large and representative gathering of Brooklyn ladies yesterday after moon at the Woman's Club, 30 Willoughly street, or "Asia," and reviewed the life of Sir Edwin Araold, the author of "Light of Asia," and Mns. Heisne Miavatery the founder of Theosophy in America. Hrs. Holloway's isoture was listened to with deep interest, and was feet the control of the con

A SCHEME TO ENLIVEN WALL STREET. Mas the Street Been Ruined by Dishener

The latest device to improve business in Wall street was brought out yesterday by Mr. Frederick T. Brown of H. L. Horton & Co. in a letter addressed to his fellow members of the Stock Exchange. The letter is as follows:

In a communication addressed to you two years ago indrocated the creation of a "Statistical Department of the New York Stock Exchange," to be presided over by an auditor thoroughly conversant with railroad reports.
To day the public demands such information as only a
well trained and independent auditor can give. The indisposition of the public to operate in stocks, I believe,
comes from the doubt expressed both here and more forcibly in Europe of the truth of directors' reports to stockholders. At a meeting of the institute of Bankers held on Jan. 4,

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At a meeting of the Institute of Bankersheld on Jan. 4, 1888, in London, the report of which has just reached us, Mr. J. W. Birch says: "American railroads open an enormous field for the investment of English capital if people are careful enough in the selection of the securities."

Mr. Joseph Price, who is well known in this country as the manager of the English association of American Bondholdera, said: "Those who play with American Bondholdera, said: "Those who play with American Bondholdera, said: "Those who play with American specularity shares are at the mercy of Wall street operatora." And again he says: "What are called auditors of the American railways are really only the accountants of the companies themselves."

What we need to reatore the confidence of the investing and speculative public is an auditor who shall have no connection with the company whose report he examines, accountable only to the committee of the Exchange; who shall expose all the weak holinta uncover the mysteries and lay facis alone before the people. What would this do for us as brokers."

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Hecondly—The knowledge that a railroad was solvent and on a sound basis would give confidence to buyers in times of panic, and so limit the shrinkage in its securities and the operator's loss. For the public this auditing of reports would be of inestimable value. Directors of railroad, knowing that their reports would be carrefully analyzed as soon as issued, would be extremely cautious in signing reports in that they had not personally investigated most thoroughly.

A prominent railroad auditor, to whom I suggested the above outlined action, said: "Give me the four preceding reports and intensity of the first signification of the first and contributed the control of the probably do a with two preceding

vation the names of some of the first signers are given:

Drexel, Morgan & Co., Winslow, Lanier & Co., Kidder, Peabody & Co., Brown Brothers & Co., Vernilve & Co., Kunh. Loob & Co., Elake Brothers & Co., Vernilve & Co., Kunh. Loob & Co., Eddenburgh, Thaiman & Co., Maltiand, Phelps & Co., John Paton & Co., Malgarten & Co., Work, String & Co., Van Schaick & Co., Jameson, Smith & Cutting W. S. Kichols & Co., F. Flower & Co., Smith & Cutting W. S. Kichols & Co., F. Flower & Co., Smith & Cutting W. S. Kichols & Co., F. Hollister & Co., H. Horizon & Co., Moore & Schier, Hollister & Co., H. Horizon & Co., Moore & Schier, Edward stweet & Co., Dominick & Deckerman, and Kissam, Whitney & Co. It is conceded, of course, that the efficiency of this department of the Exchange, should it be established, will depend almost entirely upon the ability and honesty of the man who gets the job of running it.

A CHIROSOPHIST IN CASTLE GARDEN.

Mr. Ed Heron-Allen, the Palmist, Appeinted Interpreter to Other Immigrante.

The curious announcement was made from Castle Garden yesterday that Mr. Ed Heron-Allen had been appointed an interpreter at a salary of \$1,000. Mr. Heron-Allen came to New York from London something over a year ago as the apostle of Chirosophy, and his lecture in Chickering Hall, in which he introduced himself and his art to New York, was attended

chickering Hail, in which he introduced himself and his art to New York, was attended by a large and fashionable audience. Mr. Heron-Allen became quite the rage in society and practiced his profession as palmist in the most select circles. In private houses and in his parlors at his hotel he studied the lines in fair palms, at \$10 a study, and wrote out prophesies as divined in the markings of the hands. He seemed at the time to have energed into the popular favor which Mr. Oscar Wilde sought with but indifferent success.

Mr. Heron-Allen appeared to be a very young man, but he frequently admitted that he was not nearly as young as he looked. He was of graceful figure and carriage, and his manners were gentle and refined. On the plaform and in the drawing room he was remarkably fluent and perfectly self-contained. His success at a fashionable chirosophist in New York was extended to Long Branch and Baltimore, and then he disappeared from New York while lecturing throughout the country. Clinosophy didn't seem to take so well in the West, and Mr. Heron-Allen began to write sketches for some of the newspapers and the magazines. His appointment as an interpreter at Castle Garden indicates a great change either in Mr. Heron-Allen's fortunes or fancies.

Miss Alice McQuade was appointed stenographer and typewriter at the Garden yesterdap.

Mr. Ernest Gye, the husband of Mme. Al bani, is in town on his way to Canada, where he proposes arranging some concerts for his wife. Mr. Gye was engaged yesterday in making inquiry into the prospects of Italian opera inquiry into the prospects of Italian opera in the United States. So far as a season at the Metropolitan next fall is concerned. Mr. Gye was advised that the project was not to be thought of, as all arrangements had been made for a four months' series of performances in German, commencing on Nov. 8, Mr. Stanton sails for Europe on March 7, and will at once conclude the important engagement now pending. An effort was made last night to set affoat a story in relation to negotiations between Mr. Stanton and Mr. Gye that might further the latter's plans. No negotiations to that end were commenced, and none will be entered into.

Brooklyn Republicane Divided.

At a meeting of the Kings County Repub-Hean General Committee last night in the Everett Assembly Rooms, in Brooklyn, a proposition to amend the by-laws by adding the President, Vice-Presidents, the Secretary, and Treasurer of the General Committee to the Executive Committee aroused a lively debate, Executive Committee aroused a lively debate, in which it was clearly shown that the Republican organization in Kings county is divided into two factions, each determined to use every effort to control the policy of the party during the Presidential contest. The proposition was defeated, although the vote in its favor was \$8 to 55, a three-fourths vote being necessary to make an amendment to the by-laws. Another squabble occurred over the report of the committee on the reorganization of the Second ward association, and it was adopted only in part.

Trustees who Won't Account "This large estate has been in the charge

and custody of these respondents as executors and trus tees many years and apparently they have not regarded themselves as under any obligation to give an account of their stewardship."

This language is contained in a decision rendered yes-

This language is contained in a decision rendered yesterday by Surrogate Ransom in the litigation pending over the estate of Samuel Wood, who died in 1878, leaving a million. He tried to leave most of it to found a college of music, but that bequest was declared void. The city claiming an interest under this void trust, applied to Surrogate has deuted the motion on the ground trustess to render an accounting.

The Surrogate has deuted the motion on the ground that as the trust is void it is none of the city's husiness. All the same be proposed to summon the trustees to said secupiting of his own motion if they do not settle up the estate within a reasonable time.

The estate, through process of litigation, had dwindled away to a comparatively small sum.

Mrs. Whalen Knocked Down by a Thief. PLAINFIELD. Feb. 14.—While Mrs. James Whalen and her two small children were home alone on sunday evening they were startled by repeated knocks at the front door. When Mrs. Whalen went to the door a big man apparently a tramp, sprang upon her, anocked her down, and choked her. He demanded what money was in the house, threatening to shoot her missa she gave it to him. Mrs. Whalen, though injured, managed to get the money for the man, and he fit, after warning her not to give the main, and he fit, after warning her not to give the main. Mrs. Whilein was so hadly injured that she has been confined to her bed ever since. She is only able to describe the man as large and very powerful. Their feethings in was absent to wastern Kew York. Their feethings in Mrs. Septile wastern Kew York. PLAINFIELD, Feb. 14.-While Mrs. James

Mrs. Brower Sceures a Separation.

Mrs. Sarah Ann Brower, who was murderously assaulted in her bed at home at East Meadow. L. I., in December last, secured yesterday a legal separa-tion from her husband. Lewis P. Brower, who is now tion from her husband, lewis F. Brower, who is now confined in jait in Long leasted City, with the woman Mary Waring, awaiting rist on a charge of insting consisted the last the last throw signed a release of the last through the husband's property, and to-day Brower Wansferred the deed for his house and seventeen acre aren at Flast Bradow to his wife, and paid her counted F7d costs, according to the terms of the sect of separation. The divorce and began two werts ago by Mrs. Frower has been discontinued. Mrs. Brower is still suffering from the effects of her wounds. mitted the assault. Mrs Erower stanted a release of all her husband's property, and to-duly Brower wantferred the deed for his house and seventies acces arm as East Heady to his wite, and part her courses Ero cook and a transfer of the entering of the deed of separation. The disons the grower was to begun two werds and by Mrs. Frower has been discontinued. Mrs. Erower is still suffering from the effect of her wounds.

A New Yorker Erobeck in Toronto.

Toronto, Feb. 14.—Two young men named Lemay and Laports have been arrested here for publing a feet of the worker have been arrested here for probing a feet of the course of the second of the Halina areas and the house of the feet of the wall lends are deed to the course of the west of the wall lends are not of "My Annt Bridget" the article and the house of the three Virtual street and the house of the house of the three Virtual street and the house of the three Virtual street and the house of the wall of the virtual street and the house of the wall of the virtual street and the house of the wall of the virtual street and the house of the wall of the virtual street and the house of the wall of the virtual street and the house of the wall of the virtual street and the house of the wall of the virtual street and the house of the wall of the virtual street and the house of the control of the virtual street and the house of the control of the virtual

NEWS FROM THE OLD WORLD

LABOUCHERE'S LIVELY SPEECH ON THE COERCION ACT.

he Crown Prince's Dectors Disagree About his Case—A Partial Cesentian of the Irish Persecutions—Rioting in Cork.

LONDON, Feb. 14.-In the House of Commons to-day Sir G. O. Trevelyan resumed the debate on the address in reply to the Queen's speech. He contended that the Coercion act had done little to suppress crime, but a great deal to alienate and shock public opinion. The conviction of twelve members of the House of Commons would happily do more than any. hing else to bring about a settlement of the Irish question. They had seen how Irishmen

thing else to bring about a settlement of the Irish question. They had seen how Irishmen could be arrested on English soil for a crims created under the Coercion net—a crime which Hanglishmen could not be arrested for a foreigner be surrendered.

Major Saunderson (aunted Sir George with Englishmen could not be arrested for a foreigner be surrendered.

Major Saunderson (aunted Sir George with shirking an explanation of his change of opinion. He quoted extracts from Sir George's speech, denouncing the National League and Gladstone's policy. Mr. Parnell, he said, had compared Mr. Bailour to a vicious cat, and Mr. Henly, but two short years ago, had likened Sir George to a rat. The Parnellites and the "rat" were close friends now in lighting with the "cat." Well, when rats fought with a cat the rats got the worst of it. Mr. Parnell's attack upon the Government last evening was the weakest ever made in the House. This leader of the League could say nothing to justify the terrorism against which the Government was lighting to deliver the peanle. Everyment would applaud the Government for destroying an organization that was proving upon the vitals of the country. The Parnellies were men who were never law abbitus, and who never would be, let the law be what it might. An Irishman was not a man who naturally sympathized with law of any sind. Haughter, Mr. Labouchere said that Major Saunderson was the mouthpiece of a Conservative cave which had been formed to conservative cave which had been a press in Jer with a severe attack upon the Governmen with reference to the Mitchelstown affair which, he said, demanded a strict inquiry.

THE CROWN PRINCE,

He is Able to Take Solld Food and is With out Fever

SAN REMO, Feb. 14 .- A bulletin issued at oon says that the wound in the Crown Prince's throat caused by the operation of tracheotom presents the best possible appearance. The Prince's sleep was interrupted last night, but he is without fever. His cough and mucous expectoration are moderate. A later building says the Crown Prince, besides taking liquid food, was able to cut a sandwich to-day. He has also spoken, although the doctors had forbidden him to do so.

This evening the Crown Prince partock of solid food, and appeared to enjoy it.

The mucous removed from the tube in the Prince's throat is tinged with blood. This is generally the case a few days after trachectomy has been performed.

Dr. Mackenzie, in his report on the Crown Prince's case, will quote Prof. Virchow's declaration that he found no indications of malignant disease in the matter examined by him. It is rumored that there is a further difference of opinion on the case among the doctors in attendance. Prof. Cappard has been summened from Brussels.

BERLIN, Fob. 14.—Owing to the condition of the Crown Prince, the Emporer's bull, which was to have been given to-night, and the Guards' fête have been abandoned.

Advices from San Romo state that the Crown Prince walked about his rooms for a short time this evening. He can now take solid food and is able to talk. presents the best possible appearance. The

THE TORIES GETTING TIRED.

An Order to Cease Prosecuting Patriotic Irish Newspapers. LONDON, Feb. 14 .- At a Cabinet council held to-day, it was decided to instruct the Irish Executive to cease prosecuting newspapers for

Executive to cease prosecuting newspapers for publishing reports of meetings of suppressed branches of the League.

Arrangements have been made for a division on the Parnell amendment on Thursday. The Conservative whips are confident that they will have a fragority of 85 on the division.

Mr. Joseph Chamberlain announces that he hopes to resume his place in the House of Commons by March 12. His friends state that the fisheries negotiations are certain of a successful result.

The Government has abandoned for the present the further prosecution of William O'Brien, M. P.

A Russo-French Alliance.

LONDON, Feb. 15 .- A despatch from Vienna to the Standard says: "The negotiations for a Russo-French alliance are in a very forward condition. France only hesitates as to when the treaty ought to be signed and how tokeep it a secret from Bismarck, who, it is expected, yould at once declare war on learning of the

compact." Spurgeon and the Modern Purgatury

LONDON, Feb. 14 .- The Rev. Mr. Spurgeon, n a letter to the Wesleyan Reform Union. in reply to the resolution adopted by that body reply to the resolution adopted by that body expressing approval of his course in withdrawing from the Baptist Union, says: "I am unshis to remain longer quiet when the war is for the authority of the Scriptures and the great doctrines of man's ruin, his redemption and the finality of the Lord's judgment. Being zealous for the old evangelical latth, I may speak too sternly against the enemies of the truth, and my words may seem unnecessarily sharp swords. We will together fight for the Word and the Gospel. We will bear our outspoken witness against this modern purgatory."

BERLIN, Feb. 14 .- The negotiations with regard to Bulgaria, which were interrupted on the departure for St. Petersburg of Count Schouvaloff, the Russian Ambassador hers, are about to be resumed.

The Reichstag to-day approved the Anti-Socialist bill in the form recommended by the committee, rejecting all the Government proposals for increased stringency.

A motion by Herr Windthorst for the abolition of the minor date of sleep was defeated by a vote of 153 to 100.

Contrary to the general expectation, the Railway bill introduced in the Landtag to-day contains no provision for the construction of lines of strategic importance. the departure for St. Petersburg of Count

England Has No Alliances.

LONDON, Feb. 14 .- Sir James Fergusson, Under Foreign Secretary, explained in the House of Commons to-day that, in stating re-House of Commons to-day that, in stating re-cently that the British Government was not pledged to military action in behalf of any European power, he implied naval action also. Beyond the treatles known to the country, none existed. He declined to produce the cor-respondence with European Governments. The production of such correspondence, he said, was not in accordance with uniform pre-cedent, nor was it advisable, in view of the present situation.

Riot in Cork.

CORK, Feb. 14.-Mr. Lane, M. P., was welcomed here by a large crowd with several bands of music on his release from jail. While the rrowd and the bands were returning home some stones is reliable at the police and the latter charged upon the crest scattering the musiciane and smashing their matrix ments. Eleven policemen and fourteen civilians were injured alightly.

Sending a Letter to Thibet. CALCUTTA. Feb. 14.—Lord Dufferin, the Vice-roy of India, has sent an autograph latter to the Lama of Thibet, in which he says that England desires friend-ship with Thibet.

Francis Welse, President of the Alden Coal Company and of the Labigh Valley National Bank and Company and of the Lehigh Vailey National Bank and one of the pioneer operators of the Lehigh region tied yesterday at Beithlehem. Par aged on year.

George Sidney Camp, senior counsel in the famous Piske Nutiraw will case against Cornell University, died auddenly at Owego yesterday, ande 12 year.

Samuel Clay, a wealthy farmer living over a Park, Ken, died yesterday, send 12 years. He was the larged land owner in Kentucky, and produity the largest law payer. He owned CLOM areas believes I Area and Wilchester, besides large tracts in Nijhaka and which are tracts in Nijhaka and which are tracts in Nijhaka and which are the amount of his landed wealth is estimated at \$1,004.030.